

CHAPTER 1135

APPROPRIATIONS — AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

H.F. 2336

AN ACT relating to appropriations involving state government entities involved with agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

**DIVISION I
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2012-2013**

Section 1. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 46, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 46. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department, including its divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

.....	\$	8,248,654
		<u>17,081,328</u>
.....	FTEs	366.00
		<u>371.00</u>

2. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department of management, the members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated in this section to support the department's administration, regulation, and programs.

3. Of the amount appropriated in this section, ~~\$119,000~~ \$238,000 is transferred to Iowa state university of science and technology, to be used for the university's midwest grape and wine industry institute.

4. The department shall use one of the full-time equivalent positions authorized in subsection 1 to employ one new assistant state veterinarian.

5. The department shall use two of the full-time equivalent positions authorized in subsection 1 to employ two new full-time positions whose primary responsibility shall be to inspect commercial establishments as defined in section 162.2 and to otherwise administer and enforce the provisions of chapter 162. The department may charge the salaries and benefits of the positions to the commercial establishment fund created in section 162.2C.

DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS — ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Sec. 2. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 47, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 47. UNCLAIMED PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING WINNINGS — HORSE AND DOG RACING. There is appropriated from the moneys available under section 99D.13 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department's administration and enforcement of horse and dog racing law pursuant to section 99D.22, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

.....	\$	152,758
		<u>305,516</u>

DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS — MOTOR FUEL

Sec. 3. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 48, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 48. RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND — MOTOR FUEL INSPECTION. There is appropriated from the renewable fuel infrastructure fund created in section 15G.205 159A.16 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of the inspection of motor fuel, including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 250,000
500,000

The department shall establish and administer programs for the auditing of motor fuel including biofuel processing and production plants, for screening and testing motor fuel, including renewable fuel, and for the inspection of motor fuel sold by dealers including retail dealers who sell and dispense motor fuel from motor fuel pumps.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 4. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. SEC. 48A. GENERAL FUND — DAIRY REGULATION. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. For purposes of performing functions pursuant to section 192.109, including conducting a survey of grade “A” milk and certifying the results to the secretary of agriculture:

..... \$ 189,196

2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 5. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. SEC. 48B. GENERAL FUND — LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM COORDINATOR. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. For purposes of supporting the local food and farm program pursuant to chapter 267A:

..... \$ 75,000

2. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement with Iowa state university to support the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of the university’s cooperative extension service in agriculture and home economics pursuant to chapter 267A.

3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 6. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. SEC. 48C. GENERAL FUND — AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association affiliated with a national organization which promotes agricultural education providing for future farmers:

..... \$ 25,000

2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year

shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 7. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 131, section 81, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 81. APPROPRIATION — FARMERS WITH DISABILITIES. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the following fiscal years, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, for a program for farmers with disabilities:

FY 2011–2012.....	\$	97,000
FY 2012–2013.....	\$	48,500
		<u>130,000</u>

The moneys appropriated in this section shall be used for the public purpose of providing a grant to a national nonprofit organization with over 80 years of experience in assisting children and adults with disabilities and special needs. The moneys shall be used to support a nationally recognized program that began in 1986 and has been replicated in at least 30 other states, but which is not available through any other entity in this state, and that provides assistance to farmers with disabilities in all 99 counties to allow the farmers to remain in their own homes and be gainfully engaged in farming through provision of agricultural worksite and home modification consultations, peer support services, services to families, information and referral, and equipment loan services. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

DIVISION II
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2012-2013

Sec. 8. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 49, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 49. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department, including its divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

.....	\$	6,133,344
		<u>12,516,700</u>
.....	FTEs	1,145.95

2. Of the number of full-time equivalent positions authorized to the department pursuant to subsection 1, 50.00 full-time equivalent positions shall be allocated by the department for seasonal employees for purposes of providing maintenance, upkeep, and sanitary services at state parks. This subsection shall not impact park ranger positions within the department.

**2A. a. The department shall use 32 of the full-time equivalent positions authorized pursuant to subsection 1 to support full-time park ranger positions, including four new full-time park ranger positions.*

b. Notwithstanding paragraph “a”, if the department determines that the amount of the appropriation made in subsection 1 is not sufficient to support 32 full-time park ranger positions, it shall support at least 30 full-time park ranger positions.

*c. The department shall not reduce the number of full-time park ranger positions to fewer than 30.**

3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department of management, the members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in

* Item veto; see message at end of the Act

detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated under this section to support the department’s administration, regulation, and programs.

Sec. 9. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 50, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 50. STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE.

1. There is appropriated from the state fish and game protection fund to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the division of fish and wildlife, including for administration, regulation, and programs; and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 19,396,577
39,951,171

1A. From the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the department shall support at least 84 full-time conservation officer positions.

2. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department may use the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game protection fund to provide for the funding of health and life insurance premium payments from unused sick leave balances of conservation peace officers employed in a protection occupation who retire, pursuant to section 97B.49B.

3. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department of natural resources may use the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game protection fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, as is necessary to fund salary adjustments for departmental employees which the general assembly has made an operating budget appropriation for in subsection 1.

Sec. 10. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 51, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 51. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND — WATER QUALITY. There is appropriated from the groundwater protection fund created in section 455E.11 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, from those moneys which are not allocated pursuant to that section, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department’s protection of the state’s groundwater, including for administration, regulation, and programs, and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 1,727,916
3,455,832

DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS — MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 11. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 52, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 52. SPECIAL SNOWMOBILE FUND — SNOWMOBILE PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the special snowmobile fund created under section 321G.7 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For purposes of administering and enforcing the state snowmobile programs:

..... \$ 50,000
100,000

Sec. 12. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 53, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 53. UNASSIGNED REVENUE FUND — UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SECTION EXPENSES. There is appropriated from the unassigned revenue fund administered by the Iowa comprehensive underground storage tank fund board to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending

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June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For purposes of paying for administration expenses of the department’s underground storage tank section:

.....	\$	100,000
		<u>200,000</u>

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 13. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:
NEW SECTION. SEC. 54A. GENERAL FUND — FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For purposes of supporting floodplain management and dam safety:

.....	\$	2,000,000
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2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, up to \$400,000 may be used by the department to acquire or install stream gages for purposes of tracking and predicting flood events and for compiling necessary data to improve flood frequency analysis.

3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in subsection 1 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

Sec. 14. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:
NEW SECTION. SEC. 54B. GENERAL FUND — FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of providing for forestry health management programs:

.....	\$	100,000
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2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

DIVISION III

USE OF MONEYS IN THE STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — PURCHASE OF RADIOS

Sec. 15. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 19, subsection 1, is amended to read as follows:

1. Notwithstanding 2010 Iowa Acts, chapter 1191, section 7, the department of natural resources may use the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game protection fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, to purchase mobile radios to meet federal and state requirements for homeland security and public safety. This section applies to those moneys in the fund that are not otherwise used, obligated, or encumbered for payment of health and life insurance premium payments for conservation peace officer retirements for that fiscal year. The department may use such moneys until June 30, ~~2012~~ 2013.

Sec. 16. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This division of this Act amending 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 19, subsection 1, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

DIVISION IV
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2012-2013

Sec. 17. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 55, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 55. GENERAL FUND — VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to Iowa state university of science and technology for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the college of veterinary medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic laboratory and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

.....	\$	1,618,818
		<u>3,237,636</u>
.....	FTEs	50.00

2. a. Iowa state university of science and technology shall not reduce the amount that it allocates to support the college of veterinary medicine from any other source due to the appropriation made in this section.

b. Paragraph “a” does not apply to a reduction made to support the college of veterinary medicine, if the same percentage of reduction imposed on the college of veterinary medicine is also imposed on all of Iowa state university’s budget units.

3. If by June 30, 2013, Iowa state university of science and technology fails to allocate the moneys appropriated in this section to the college of veterinary medicine in accordance with this section, the moneys appropriated in this section for that fiscal year shall revert to the general fund of the state.

DIVISION V
ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2012-2013

Sec. 18. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 57, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 57. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP. There is appropriated from the environment first fund created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)

a. For the conservation reserve enhancement program to restore and construct wetlands for the purposes of intercepting tile line runoff, reducing nutrient loss, improving water quality, and enhancing agricultural production practices:

.....	\$	500,000
		<u>1,000,000</u>

b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph “a” may be used for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

c. Notwithstanding any other provision in law, the department may provide state resources from this appropriation, in combination with other appropriate environment first fund appropriations, for cost sharing to match United States department of agriculture, natural resources conservation service, wetlands reserve enhancement program (WREP) funding available to Iowa.

2. WATERSHED PROTECTION

a. For continuation of a program that provides multiobjective resource protections for flood control, water quality, erosion control, and natural resource conservation:

.....	\$	450,000
		<u>900,000</u>

b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph “a” may be used for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

3. FARM MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

a. For continuation of a statewide voluntary farm management demonstration program to demonstrate the effectiveness and adaptability of emerging practices in agronomy that protect water resources and provide other environmental benefits:

..... \$ 312,500
625,000

b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

c. Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", ~~\$185,000~~ \$400,000 shall be allocated to an organization representing soybean growers to provide for an agriculture and environment performance program in order to carry out the purposes of this subsection as specified in paragraph "a".

4. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — ADMINISTRATION

For use by the department for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices:

..... \$ 1,000,000
2,550,000

5. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP)

a. To encourage and assist farmers in enrolling in and the implementation of the federal conservation reserve program and to work with them to enhance their revegetation efforts to improve water quality and habitat:

..... \$ 500,000
1,000,000

b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

6. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

a. For use by the department in providing for soil and water conservation administration, the conservation of soil and water resources, or the support of soil and water conservation district commissioners:

..... \$ 3,150,000
6,650,000

b. Not more than 5 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" may be allocated for cost sharing to address complaints filed under section 161A.47.

c. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", 5 percent shall be allocated for financial incentives to establish practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes of the state from soil erosion and sediment as provided in section 161A.73.

d. Not more than 30 percent of a soil and water conservation district's allocation of moneys as financial incentives may be provided for the purpose of establishing management practices to control soil erosion on land that is row cropped, including but not limited to no-till planting, ridge-till planting, contouring, and contour strip-cropping as provided in section 161A.73.

e. The state soil conservation committee established by section 161A.4 may allocate moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" to conduct research and demonstration projects to promote conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution control practices.

f. The allocation of moneys as financial incentives as provided in section 161A.73 may be used in combination with moneys allocated by the department of natural resources.

g. Not more than 15 percent of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

h. In lieu of moneys appropriated in section 466A.5, not more than \$50,000 of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" shall be used by the soil conservation division of the department of agriculture and land stewardship to provide administrative support to the watershed improvement review board established in section 466A.3.

7. LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM COORDINATOR

a. For purposes of supporting a local food and farm program coordinator as established pursuant to new Code chapter 267A as enacted in this Act, for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

..... \$ 37,500

~~b. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement with Iowa state university to support the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of the university's cooperative extension service in agriculture and home economics pursuant to new Code chapter 267A as enacted in this Act.~~

~~8. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION~~

~~For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association affiliated with a national organization which promotes agricultural education providing for future farmers:~~

~~..... \$ 12,500~~

9. LOESS HILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND

a. For deposit in the loess hills development and conservation fund created in section 161D.2:

..... \$ 237,500
525,000

b. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", ~~\$178,125~~ \$393,750 shall be allocated to the fund's hungry canyons account.

(2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the hungry canyons account as provided in subparagraph (1) may be used for administrative costs.

c. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", ~~\$59,375~~ \$131,250 shall be allocated to the fund's loess hills alliance account.

(2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the loess hills alliance account as provided in subparagraph (1) may be used for administrative costs.

Sec. 19. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 57, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 10. AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE WELL WATER QUALITY ASSISTANCE FUND.

For deposit in the agricultural drainage well water quality assistance fund created in section 460.303 to be used for purposes of supporting the agricultural drainage well water quality assistance program as provided in section 460.304:

..... \$ 550,000

Sec. 20. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, section 58, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 58. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. There is appropriated from the environment first fund created in section 8.57A to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

1. KEEPERS OF THE LAND

For statewide coordination of volunteer efforts under the water quality and keepers of the land programs:

..... \$ 50,000
100,000

2. STATE PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

For regular maintenance of state parks and staff time associated with these activities:

..... \$ 1,605,000
3,710,000

~~3. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT~~

~~To provide for forestry health management programs:~~

~~..... \$ 50,000~~

4. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

To provide local watershed managers with geographic information system data for their use in developing, monitoring, and displaying results of their watershed work:

..... \$ 97,500
195,000

5. WATER QUALITY MONITORING

For continuing the establishment and operation of water quality monitoring stations:

..... \$ 1,477,500
2,955,000

6. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ACCOUNT

For deposit in the public water supply system account of the water quality protection fund created in section 455B.183A:

..... \$ 250,000
500,000

7. REGULATION OF ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS

For the regulation of animal feeding operations, including as provided for in chapters 459 through 459B:

..... \$ 210,000
620,000

8. AMBIENT AIR QUALITY

For the abatement, control, and prevention of ambient air pollution in this state, including measures as necessary to assure attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality standards from particulate matter:

..... \$ 212,500
425,000

9. WATER QUANTITY REGULATION

For regulating water quantity from surface and subsurface sources by providing for the allocation and use of water resources, the protection and management of water resources, and the preclusion of conflicts among users of water resources, including as provided in chapter 455B, division III, part 4:

..... \$ 247,500
495,000

10. GEOLOGICAL AND WATER SURVEY

For continuing the operations of the department's geological and water survey including but not limited to providing analysis, data collection, investigative programs, and information for water supply development and protection:

..... \$ 100,000
200,000

DIVISION VI
RESOURCES ENHANCEMENT AND PROTECTION (REAP) FUND
GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2012-2013

Sec. 21. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:
NEW SECTION. SEC. 59A. ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND. Notwithstanding the amount of the standing appropriation from the general fund of the state to the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund as provided in section 455A.18, there is appropriated from the environment first fund created in section 8.57A to the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund, in lieu of the appropriation made in section 455A.18, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, to be allocated as provided in section 455A.19:

..... \$ 12,000,000

DIVISION VII
AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE WELL WATER QUALITY ASSISTANCE FUND
SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2012-2013

Sec. 22. 2011 Iowa Acts, chapter 128, is amended by adding the following new section:
NEW SECTION. SEC. 59B. REBUILD IOWA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND. Notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 6, paragraph "c", there is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund created in section 8.57 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For deposit in the agricultural drainage well water quality assistance fund created in section 460.303 in order to support the agricultural drainage well water quality assistance program as provided in section 460.304:

..... \$ 1,000,000

Approved May 25, 2012, with exceptions noted.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD, *Governor*

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit House File 2336, an Act relating to appropriations involving state government entities involved with agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and including effective date provisions.

House File 2336 is, therefore, signed on this date with the following exceptions, which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 8, amending 2011 Iowa Acts, Chapter 128, Section 49, inserting numbered paragraph 2A. This language would require Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”) to hire two to four additional park rangers. While I support efforts to ensure adequate numbers of park rangers, I believe that the language mentioned above requiring specific staff levels, hinders the state’s ability to manage overall operational needs. I believe that flexibility is needed to determine how many park rangers are hired based on costs, availability of funding and specific park needs.

I am unable to approve the designated portion of the item designated as Section 9, amending 2011 Iowa Acts, Chapter 128, Section 50, inserting numbered paragraph 1A. This item would require DNR to support at least 84 full-time conservation officer positions. While I support efforts to ensure adequate numbers of conservation officers, I believe that the language mentioned above requiring specific staff levels, hinders the state’s ability to manage overall operational needs. I believe that flexibility is needed to determine how many conservation officers are hired based on costs, availability of funding and specific park needs.

For the above reasons, I respectfully disapprove the designated items in accordance with Amendment IV of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items in House File 2336 are hereby approved as of this date.

Sincerely,
TERRY E. BRANSTAD, *Governor*